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TO:

ALL PROPERTY AND CASUALTY INSURERS

RE:

THIRD PARTY AGREEMENTS BY PROPERTY AND CASUALTY

INSURERS FOR VEHICLE GLASS REPAIR

Act No. 585 of the 1993 session of the Louisiana Legislature, enacting R.S. 22:1214.2, became effective August 15, 1993.

R.S. 22:1214.2 makes it an unfair method of competition and an unfair or deceptive act or practice for any insurer to establish a contract or agreement with any individual or company to manage, handle, subcontract, broker or arrange insurance repair work for any class repair or replacement on a motor vehicle.

This law prohibits any insurer from entering into any third-party agreement for automobile glass repair or replacement.

All property and casualty insurers that are licensed to do business in Louisiana are hereby directed to immediately bring their business practices in compliance with R.S. 22:1214.2.

Licensed property and casualty insurers that fail to comply with R.S. 22:1214.2 may be subject to administrative hearing and penalties under R.S. 22:1216 and R.S. 22:1217.

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